

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the donation of funding for the Los Angeles Police Department's (LAPD) Harbor Area Domestic Abuse Response Team (DART) program.

Recommendation for Council action:

AUTHORIZE the LAPD to accept the donation of funding in the amount of \$42,500 from the Los Angeles Police Foundation for LAPD's Harbor Area DART program, and THANK the donor for this generous gift.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the LAPD. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Officer has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

SUMMARY

In a report to the Board of Police Commissioners dated December 12, 2014 (attached to the Council file), LAPD requests authority to accept the donation of funding for Department's Harbor Area DART program. LAPD reports that DART is a collaboration of community advocates and sworn personnel who advocate for victims of domestic violence and their families. The donation provides immediate crisis intervention and emergency assistance for the victims at the onset of the abusive event and continues throughout the investigative and judicial process. It increases victim safety and victim cooperation from the initial investigation through prosecution. Furthermore, it decreases recidivism and improves the perception of the Los Angeles Police Department by domestic violence victims.

On December 16, 2014, the Board approved the Department's request. At its meeting held January 23, 2015, the Public Safety Committee recommended that Council authorize LAPD to accept this donation.

Respectfully Submitted,

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
ENGLANDER:	YES
BUSCAINO:	YES
BONIN:	ABSENT
O'FARRELL:	YES
MARTINEZ:	ABSENT

ADOPTED

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